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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a retired consumer who uses a small private company for broadband and landline phone. Sonic.net provides great service and is easy and pleasant to work with. Currently I have a DSL connection, but expect to be upgraded to fiber next month.

Thanks to competitive telecommunication laws, Sonic has been able to build and connect tens of thousands of members Sonic's own fiber network. They need continued access to copper as a bridge to fiber so that they can get everyone, connected to the fastest, most affordable internet available.

Please don't allow big companies like AT&T and Comcast to have a monopoly on these services.

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